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Letter to The Editor

Times-Virginian
Appomattox, Virginia

Dear Mr. Vaughan:

I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank all those who assisted in making our recent 1974 Cancer Crusade a tremendous success.

We are especially indebted to Mrs. Ellen Jamerson, 1974 Crusade Chairman, under whose guidance we were successful not only in raising our "Fair Share Goal" but going above the larger "Challenge Goal" to $4,143.74.

It would be too lengthy to thank each of the over 150 volunteers but they know who they are and my sincere admiration is for them.

I would like to single out Mrs. June Chenault, 1974 Vice-Chairman, and the Rev. R. Q. Lawing, who were both definitely instrumental in the success of the drive.

Also, a special thanks to the 65 riders, who participated in the Bike-A-Thon last fall, who raised a whopping $2,104.80 of the final 1974 total.

Eight local citizens have been assisted this year through our American Cancer Society Office in Lynchburg and the county's generousity helped make this possible. The fundings also aided cancer research and education.

In closing, I would like to share what one Virginia Amerian Cancer official recently stated: "Just ask the people in Appomattox whether it's better to have a bike-a-thon, a public clinic or a fund drive. They can always be depended upon to come through 100%."

Most sincerely,
Clyde G. O'Brien, M.D.
President, Appomattox County
Unit American Cancer Society

Appointed Supervisors

Glenn A. Anderson and Clinton V. Turner, former teachers of agricultural education in Smyth and Halifax counties respectively, have been appointed assistant supervisors of agricultural education for the State Department of Education.

Anderson, 28, joined the Department on July 1, filling a vacancy created by the promotion of Lloyd M. Jewell to the position of coordinator of vocational research and statistical information for the Department. Anderson's duties include providing leadership for the Natural Resources Management and Young Farmer programs.

A native of Charlotte County, Anderson received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Turner, 30, who will join the Department July 16, will succeed Clifton B. Jeter who will retire July 15. Turner will be responsible for the supervision of agricultural education programs for disadvantaged students.

Turner, who is a native of Appomattox County, received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Virginia State College.

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CVPDC Approves Budget

The Central Va. Planning District Commission (CVPDC) approved a $319,552.00 budget for Fiscal Year 1975 at its regular monthly meeting on June 27.

The budget was presented with the Overall Program Design which covers a three year period, from 1975 through 1977. Programs which are to be continued and new programs which are to be conducted are spelled out in the Overall Program Design.

In other business the Commission concurred with major actions taken by the Central Virginia Transportation Planning Council which met prior to the CVPDC Thursday night.

The Commission also gave approval for the Chairman to execute a contract with the Division of State Planning and Community Affairs in order to receive $34,800.00 for Fiscal Year 1975.

The Commission's Drug Abuse Control Advisory Committee received authorization to seek recognition by the State Division of Drug Abuse Control as the coordinating body for Drug Abuse Control Planning in the District.

Endorsement was given to the Community Mental Health & Mental Retardation Services Board of Central Virginia in their annual applicaiton to the Department of Mental Health & Mental Retardation requesting total funds of $871,194.00.

Other action taken by he Commission included adoption of a new Commission Committee Structure and revivsions of the Commission's Regional Review (A-95) Procedures.

Of Interest To Veterans

Service-Connected Benefits Increased

The President has signed legislation to increase the disability compensation payable to veterans because of disease or injury incurred or aggravated during military service. The new legislation, effective May 1, 1974, also increases the amount of allowance paid for dependents when a veteran is rated 50% or more disabled by the VA.

The payment of service-connected compensation is authorized by Chapter II, Section 314 of Title 38, United States Code, Veterans Benefits. It is significant to note that this new bill authorizes the first increase in the Section 314(k) statutory award since 1952. This is the monthly benefit paid for the loss or loss of use of a limb, an eye, a creative organ, speech, or deafness of both ears. This award, paid for each such loss, has now been increased from $47 to $52 per month.

An adjustment check for May and June will be issued in the first part of July. The check for August will be in the full amount.

Attending Professional Photographic Conference

R. E. Pankey, Photographer, of Appomattox, Virginia is participating in a one week's conference designed to up-date the skills of the professional photographer and acquaint him with the latest in materials, equipment, and techniques so he may better serve his community. Other participants represent almost all states of the Union and most Canadian provinces as well as several overseas countries.

The conference, featuring some of the nation's best known photographers as instructors, is held at the Winona School of Professional Photography, an activity of the Professional Photographers of America, Inc. The School, which celebrates its fifty-second anniversary this year, provides refresher training for the professional photographer in such diverse fields as Law Enforcement, Commercial, Portrait, Industrial, Illustrative and Motion Picture photography. Over 17,000 photographers have attended classes at this facility since 1922.

The parent organization (PP of A) is the oldest and largest association of professional photographers in the world, with national headquarters in Des Plaines, Ill. It provides educational services and sets standards of professional performance for its more than 13,000 members and 150 local, state, and regional affiliated organizations.

The Pastor Speaks

"Let not one of them escape"
I Kings 18:40

When the Project Elijah had received the answer to his prayer, and the fire from heaven had consumed the sacrifice in the presence of all the people, he called upon the assembled Israelites to take the priests of Baal, and sternly cried, "Let not one of them escape." He took them all down to the brook Kishon, and slew them there. So must it be with out sins; they are all doomed, not one must be preserved. Our darling sin must die. Spare it not for its much crying. Strike, though it be as dear as an Isaac. Strike, for God struck sin when it was laid upon His own Son. With sterm unflinching purpose must you condemn to death that sin which was once the idol of your heart.

Do you ask how you are to accomplish this? Jesus will be your power. You have grace to overcome sin given you in the covenant of grace; you have strength to win the victory in the crusade against inward lusts, because Christ Jesus has promised to be with you even unto the end. If you would triumph over darkness, set yourself in the presence of the Sun of Righteousness. There is no place so well adapted for the discovery of sin, and recovery from its power and guilt, as the immediate presence of God. Job never knew how to get rid of sin half as well as he did when his eye of faith rested upon God, and then he abhorred himself, and repented in dust and ashes. The fine gold of the Christians is often becoming dim. We need the sacred fire to consume the dross. Let us fly to God. He is a consuming fire; He will not consume our spirit, but our sins. Let the goodness of God excite us to a sacred jealousy and to a holy revenge against those iniquities which are hateful in His sight. Go forth to battle with Amalek in His strength, and utterly destroy the accursed crew: let not one of them escape.

Rev. Ernie W. Lucas
Bible Baptist Church
Appomattox, Va. 24522

Morning Star Begins Revival Sunday

The Morning Star Baptist Church of Evergreen begins its annual revival this Sunday, July 14 at the regular 11:30 worship hour. The pastor Rev. Roy Wood will deliver the morning message. The homecoming sermon will be delivered by the Rev. R. Q. Lawing and he will be accompanied by his Galilee membership. The senior choir of the Galilee Church will render music. The Rev. Roger Ford of Esmount, Va. will be the revivalist for the week. Dinner will be served by the ladies of the church.

The choir anniversary of the Promise Land Baptist Church was a great success last Sunday evening. Mrs. Annie Harvey served as mistress of ceremony. The following local choirs were represented: Mt. Shiloh, Mt. Obed, Galilee, Canaan, Jordan, and Mount Zion of Red House. Solos were rendered by Mrs. Evelyn Berry and Mrs. Martha Pankey. Mr. Striford of Diamond Hill Baptist Church rendered two mujsical numbers. The pastor of the church gave a number of historical facts concerning the choir and thanked all who came.

Impressive services were held at the Galilee Baptist Church last Sunday morning at the regular morning hour. A large crowd attended the service. The afternoon service was well attended and enjoyed by all. Mr. Fannie Wormack was the guest speaker.

On the third Sunday in this month the annual revival will begin at the Gravel Hill Baptist Church in Hurtsville. The Rev. James Miller is the pastor. On the fourth Sunday in this month the annual revival will begin at the Jordan Baptist Church. The Rev. C. L. Elliott is the pastor.

All officers and members are asked to attend the regular evening service at the Promise Land Baptist Church this Sunday at 7 p.m.

Mrs. Dorothy Stevens spent her vavacation in New York City as the guest of her relatives and friends.

The local chapter of the NAACP will hold its regular meeting this Monday evening at the Spout Spring Community Center.

Buyers at Furniture Mkt This Week

HIGH POINT, NC. - The Southeast's leading furniture stores, department stores, interior design studios and specialty shops will be represented in High Point this week as home furnishings buyers attend the High Point Furniture Market, July 7-10, 1974.

Among the furniture dealers who have registered at the Southern Furniture Mkt. Center are: Donna Johnson, Fred Johnson and Helen Pierce of Best Furniutre Co.

Retailers visiting the 30 acres of showrooms in the Southern Furniture Mkt. Center are meeting with manufacturers to work out the logistics of furniture distribution. Approximately 350 manufacturers exhibit in the 1,250,000 square feet of showroom space in this building.

The Country's leading interior designers have created complete room settings in the manufacturers' showro o ms, displaying furniture to its best advantage. Retailers use these decorating ideas for room displays in their stores, thus giving customers the latest techniques of interior design.

An 800,000 square foot addition to the SFMC will be completed in time for the October 1974 Southern Market bringing the total showroom area above two million square feet.

BEE KEEPRS ASSOC. TO MEET AT WOW JULY 20

There will be a State Meeting of the Bee Keepers Association at the Woodman of the World Building on Saturday, July 20th.

Those interested are invited to attend.

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The Sunday School Lesson

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Comment on the International Sunday School lesson for Sunday, July 14, 1974.

Topic: Renewed in Mind and Spirit.

Scripture: Ephesians 4:17 - 6:24.

Earlier in the Letter to the Ephesians, Paul explains that it is the purpose of God that the gospel be preached to the Gentiles and that they, as well as the people of Israel are also objects of His grace. Through the operation of God's grace, Gentiles as well as Jews receive the redemption made possible by the shedding of Christ's blood and forgiveness of sin.

After reading this, the reader of this letter may be somewhat startled to read Paul's further statement, "Now this I affirm and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do . . ." But as he reads on, he not only sees what Paul means, but he also gets a vivid illustration of the fact that grace is the unmerited favor of God.

Paul describes the manner of life which prevailed in the Greek and Roman world of his day, the Gentile world: "the futility of their minds . . . darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their hardness of heart . . . callous . . . given . . to licentiousness, greedy to practice every kind of uncleanness."

We get a similar picture from the secular, pagan writers of the day, whose accounts portray a selfish, self-indulgent, licentious, immoral people. Their manner of life was contrary to the standards revealed in the Scriptures as God's desire for man's living. Certainly there was nothing here to win the favor of God. Indeed one might say that if God looks at people as people look at people, He would have rejected them completely. But God does not look at people as people look at people, and He extends His grace to all, although no one is worthy of it.

God's grace is not a license to a person to live as he pleases. Acceptance of God's grace involves also the commitment to live according to God's will and standards. As Paul declares in the Letter to the Ephesians, the Gentiles did not learn the manner of life in which they lived from Christ. Acceptance of the redemption accomplished by Christ and of the forgiveness of one's sins requires the individual to "put off the old nature which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new nature, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness."

One theological term used to describe what takes place in a person's acceptance of God's grace in redemption and forgiveness is regeneration. The word means being born again into a new life. This is what Paul says must be the experience of those who would accept God's grace: the old, evil way of life must be abandoned, and a new way of life must be adopted; not only must the old way of life be replaced by the new way, but the mind must be renewed, that is, the individual must change his way of thinking as well as his manner of living. Being born again involves changing into a new life and a new life style, into a new mental attitude.

Paul then gives some specific advice for living which is as pertinent for people today as it was for Ephiesian Christians in the first century, A. D. ... nature continues the ... people need redemp... giveness of sin, ... transformation of life ... the renewal of the m... new attitudes no less ... they did then. S... transformation thro... renewal of the mind ... experience of regener... neglected emphasis ... Church today. As Chr... becomes increasingly ... rized, there is the ... tendency for Christ... remain conformed ... world. But this is not G... for those who would acc... grace. One must give ... of the operation of God... in his life, and this is d... through the renewal ... mind and the putting ... new nature in Christ Je...

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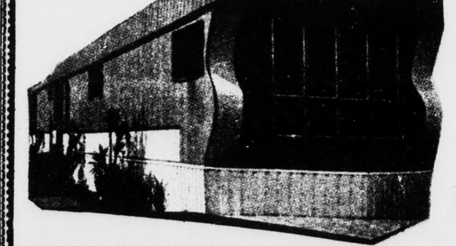

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...g the presentation is Miss Susan Dudley, Rocky ... Va.

...ds in this program are made possible by the American ...ssociation of Virginia.

...year 4,459 posters were entered in the contest program.

...aniel Reports

By W. C. (Dan) Daniel

...rginia Fifth District Congressman

...SHINGTON The first ...e Second Session of ...Congress has conclud... the first of the year, ...e been 248 votes on ..., and I have missed ...se votes were on ... to partition land ...the Hopi and Navajo ... Arizona. My voting ... the Session to date is ...ent.

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...eek, the Committee on ... brought to the Floor ...ouse a Resolution to ... the five-minute rule ...e Committee during ...tion of the impeach...uiry. The five-minute ...mits each member of ...mittee a questioning ... that length, and is ... with all Committees ...use on all legislative ... Although I have said ...ber of occasions that ...stigation should be ... as rapidly as poss...oted against this ...e" measure. Had it ...and it did not - all ... posed to witnesses ...e Committee would ... through Committee ... with "relevancy" pre... to be decided by the ... of the Committee. It ...fitting for an elected ... of Congress to surren... rights to a non-elected ...mber.

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...ly I had an opportuni...ng with some other ... of the Committee on ... Services, to meet with ...ew Defense Minister, ...mon Peres, and that ... ambassador to the ... States. Subjects dis...ncluded provision of ...eactors and the Pales... question. As is well ... the District, I have ... Mr. Peres' predecessor, ... Moshe Dayan, since ... Sinai campaign. I was ...ldeast at the time, and ...sented the Sinai Cam... Ribbon by General ...

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...House has debated and ... another of those high...g, or "Motherhood" ...his one to prevent and ... juvenile delinquency. ...afters implied failure ...e outset by requesting ...ation for funds on a ... escalating scale: $75 ... for fiscal 1975 and 1976, ...illion for fiscal 1977, and ...illion for fiscal 1978.

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...ict residents who were ... armed services at the time are reminded that they are entitled to additional pay for the period October - December, 1972. The Air Force is contacting former members at their last known addresses. The Army, Navy, and Marine Corps will leave the initiative with the individual concerned. Any eligible recipient who experiences difficulty in obtaining the funds due them should contact one of our District offices or our Washington office. Those still on active duty will automatically receive this money.

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The Department of Transportation has conducted a study at no one knows what cost to establish what many of us were convinced of all along - that Year-Round Daylight Saving Time would not result in substantial fuel savings. According to the study, less than three-quarters of one percent saving was realized this past winter, and the saving was more than offset by the hazards to school students and the inconvenience to families where the mother is employed outside the home. According to reports, the Department will recommend a return to standard time for the months of November through February. It would seem to your Congressman that this is a proper action on the basis of the study.

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One of the most frustrating elements in a Congressional office is in attempting to secure information from the various federal agencies. A recent experience is typical. After 14 telephone calls to various offices within the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, we were unsuccessful in obtaining copy of regulations in effect less than two years ago. The capper was when the Research Office advised they only do research "into the future". You might well conclude they cannot tell where we have been, and apparently do not know where we are most of the time, any forecast for the future can hardly be reliable.

The material was finally obtained from the Library of Congress.

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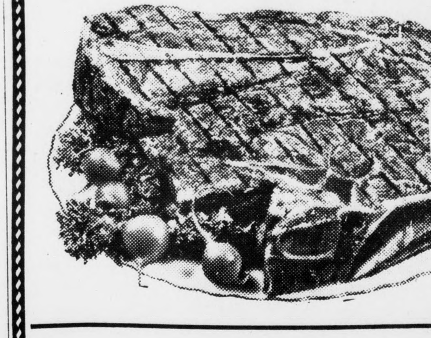

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